



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: **METHOD OF PRODUCING HOLLOW ALUMINA PARTICLE**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the

accompanying pages.